FISCAL MEMORANDUM SB 3569 - HB 4139

April 17, 2008

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (016932): Deletes all language of the original bill and makes changes to the termination of parental rights regarding the inclusion of a putative father and establishes two additional grounds to base a termination of parental rights. If a case has not been completed within six months, the petitioner or respondent may request that the court of appeals grant an order expediting the case at the trial level.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Revenue – Not Significant Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- Any cost associated with the revisions to procedures of the trial and juvenile courts can be accommodated within existing resources of state and local government without an increased appropriation.
- The Department of Children's Services will not incur a significant increase in expenditures due to the changes proposed in the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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